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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF CITIZENS TELEPHONE CORP., CLAY FILED COUNTY RURAL TEL. COOP., INC., DAVIESS-MARTIN COUNTY R.T.C. D/B/A RTC COMMUNICATIONS, HANCOCK NOV 2 1 2003 RURAL TELEPHONE CORP. D/B/A HANCOCK TELECOM, HANCOCK INDIANA UTILITY COMMUNICATIONS, INC., MULBERRY REGULATORY COMMISSION COOP. TELEPHONE CO., INC., NORTHWESTERN INDIANA TEL. CO., INC., PERRY-SPENCER RURAL TELEPHONE COOP., SEI COMMUNICATIONS, INC., SUNMAN **CAUSE NO. 42529** TELECOMMUNICATIONS, CORP., D/B/A ENHANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS, CORP., WASHINGTON COUNTY RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE AND YEOMAN TELEPHONE CO., INC. PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(f)(2) OF THE **COMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1934.** AS AMENDED, FOR SUSPENSION OF WIRELINE-TO-WIRELESS NUMBER PORTABILITY REQUIREMENTS IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF CENTURYTEL OF CENTRAL INDIANA, INC., CENTURYTEL OF ODON, INC., CRAIGVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY. INC., MONON TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. NEW LISBON TELEPHONE COMPANY,) INC., PULASKI-WHITE RURAL TELEPHONE COOP., INC., SWAYZEE TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC., SWEETSER **CAUSE NO. 42536** TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC., AND WEST POINT TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC., PURSUANT TO SECTION 251 (f)(2) OF THE ) **COMMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1934, AS** ) AMENDED, FOR THE SUSPENSION OF ) WIRELINE-TO-WIRELESS NUMBER ) PORTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

You are hereby notified that on this date, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has caused the following entry to be made:

On October 22, 2003, Citizens Telephone Corp., et al, filed its Verified Petition requesting suspension of wireline-to-wireline portability requirements, under Cause No. 42529. On November 5, 2003, Centurytel of Indiana, et al, ("Petitioners") filed their Petition for Suspension of Wireline-to-Wireless Number Portability Requirements. On November 6, 2003, Petitioners filed their Motion to Consolidate, requesting that the matters be consolidated, as there were common issues of fact and law. On November 7, 2003, the Presiding Officer granted Petitioners' request and consolidated the causes.

On November 18, 2003, Petitioners filed their Motion for Emergency Suspension of Wireline-to-Wireless LNP Obligations and Supplement to Petitions ("Motion"), asking for immediate relief for those Petitioners whose local exchanges fell within the 100 top MSAs, and were therefore subject to the FCC's November 24, 2003 deadline for local number portability.

The Presiding Officers, having reviewed Petitioners' *Motion*, and being duly advised in the premises, hereby find as follows.

We reluctantly grant a temporary suspension of the obligation for local number portability as to those Petitioners whose local exchange service areas fall within the top 100 MSAs. As has been said of other proceedings in this matter, Petitioners come to us at the fifty-ninth minute of the eleventh hour to seek relief. The obligation to accommodate number portability has been known by Petitioners since the passage of TA 96. Petitioners are granted this temporary suspension until evidence may be heard on this matter and an order entered by the Commission, provided that such suspension shall end at or before May 24, 2004.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Nancy E. Manley, Secretary to the Commission